THE SERVICE OF CELEBRATION FOR

Supervisor of Women

Greater Northern California
Second Jurisdiction

Mother Emma WREN PERSON

May 20, 1939 ~ November 14, 2018

Viewing - FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2018 | 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM | *Service* 6:00 PM

Celebration Of Life - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018 | *Viewing* 9:00 AM | *Service* 10:00 AM

Ephesian Church Of God In Christ | 1709 Alcatraz Avenue | Berkeley, CA 94703

Chief Officiant The Right Reverend Bishop Johnathan D. Logan, Sr.

Jurisdictional Prelate, Greater Northern California First Jurisdiction

THE CELEBRATION OF LIFE

for

MOTHER

Emma Wren Person

SUNRISE: MAY 20, 1939 † SUNSET: NOVEMBER 14, 2018

The Scroll Of Life

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God,
that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy,
acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
Romans 12:1

Mother Emma Wren Person was born to Gertrude and David Wren in Emelle, Alabama on May 20, 1939. She was the seventh of children. At the age of three months, her parents moved to Birmingham, Alabama where she attended Mulga Elementary School and completed her high school education at Westfield High School. She desired to attend college upon graduation, but her father's income did not allow her to do so.

At the age of 18, she married Woodrow Person, Jr. To this union was born a daughter, Regina Loette Person and a son, Dexter Lanard Person. The Person family has been graced with five grandchildren and a host of great grandchildren.

In 1965, the Tuskegee Institute now known as Tuskegee University in Tuskegee, Alabama, established an anti-poverty program designed to admit students who could not afford a college education. Emma was selected as one of those students, at the age of 26, eight years after she graduated high school. The stipulation for remaining at Tuskegee Institute, was that each student must maintain a 3.0 grade point average. With God's help, along with the help of her dear, husband Woodrow, and brother, Dr. David Wren, M.D., she was blessed to make the Dean's list, and maintain a 3.0 grade point average until she graduated in 1969. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Food Administration with a minor in Biochemistry, and from 1969 to 1970, she completed a Dietetic Internship at the University of California - San Francisco (UCSF) Medical Center in San Francisco, California.

Mother Person worked as a Clinical Dietitian at Saint Francis Memorial Hospital in San Francisco, California from October 5, 1970 to May 24, 1994. Mother Person has the distinction of being the first African American Dietician to work at Saint Francis Memorial Hospital.

At an early age, Mother Person's parents and others could see that God's anointing was upon her life. On June 24, 1959, a young Emma was moved by the spirit of the Lord to defy her father and attend a small sanctified church where she was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. Through her, the Lord saved her father, mother and almost all of her fourteen siblings.

While at the Freewill Church of God in Christ: Hueytown, Alabama, under the leadership of Pastors Elder J. C. Green and Elder Levon Frazier, Emma served as the Bible Band teacher and Pastor's Aide.

Mother Person also attended the Holy Dove Church of God in Christ in Brooklyn, New York for two years, under the pastoral leadership of the late Elder Wallace and Supervisor Creola Wallace. After moving to California, Mother Person attended the Jerusalem Church of God in Christ, serving under the late Bishop L. C. Patton. Mother Person served as a member of the Trustee Board, Executive Secretary, Treasurer, Pastor's Aide President, Missionary Circle President, and Chairperson of Pastor and Wife's Appreciation. Mother Person also was responsible for the weekly six o'clock morning and evening prayer service.

As a district worker, Mother Emma Wren Person served as the Elect Lady of the Evangelist Department for the New Light District from 1972 to 1975. She was promoted to District Missionary of the New Light District in 1975, serving with the late District Superintendent E. Wesley, until 1980.

In 1993, this anointed woman of God was promoted to Third Administrative Assistant to Mother Richardine Hunt, of the Northern California First Jurisdiction. She also served as a member of the Executive Board, the Assistant Financial Secretary, President of the Mother Emma Crouch, and Willie Mae Rivers club, and Vice President of the Hulda club.

In July of 1998, the Lord saw fit to elevate Mother Emma Wren Person to the position of Jurisdictional Supervisor of Women of the Greater Northern California Second Jurisdiction, under the late Bishop Robert-Richard Carr, Jurisdictional Prelate. Mother continued to serve as Supervisor of Women under the leadership of Bishop Johnathan D. Logan, Sr., Jurisdictional Prelate, until her demise.

Mother Person also served her local church, under the leadership of Admin. Assist., Pastor Albert Williams, Sr., at the Little Chapel Church of God in Christ. She was President of the Pastor's Aide, a Sunday school teacher, and also a member of the Trustee Board.

AS A NATIONAL WORKER, Mother Person served the Church Of God In Christ as…

- ***The Vice Chairperson of the Advisory Board***
- ***The General Supervisor's Area Representative for Region – 1***
- ***A Member of the McGlothen House Board of Directors***
- ***A Member of the Women's International Convention Program Committee, and she was recently appointed on November 8th, 2018 as the Chairperson of the Advisory Board.***

She was preceded in death by her parents, Gertrude and David Wren, Sr., and siblings: Jimmy Wren, Sr. (Louise); Mary Nolen; Luveria Hazelwood (Jimmy) and James Wren.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her loving husband, Mr. Woodrow Person, Jr.; children; Regina Williams (Albert) and Dexter Person (Monique); siblings: Elijah Wren (Cynthia); Dorothy Telfair; Willie Wren (Matilda); David Wren, Jr. (Gwen); Jones Wren (Glendale); Peter Wren, Sr. (November); Joseph Wren (Joyce); Naomi Revell (Rozell); Ponzetta Howard (Douglas); Milton Wren, Sr. (Deborah); Grandchildren; Stephen Nash, Simeon Nash, Justice Person, Marie Travis, and Duvale Williams; A great host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, goddaughters, and many, many friends. The Little Chapel Church family, Rhema District, Greater Northern California Second Jurisdiction and to the International Women's Department of the Church Of God In Christ, know that Mother Person appreciated the opportunity to have served you for all these wonderful years!!!

May the God of Peace comfort our hearts as we get through the days ahead.

Affirmation Of Faith

THE LEADER: WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH IN THE BIBLE
CONGREGATION: WE BELIEVE the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible written Word of God.

THE LEADER: WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH IN GOD
THE CONGREGATION: WE BELIEVE there is one God, eternally existent in three persons, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost.

THE LEADER: WE AFFIRM OUR BELIEF IN THE CHURCH
THE CONGREGATION: WE BELIEVE in the blessed hope, which is the rapture of the Church of God, which is in Christ at His return.

THE LEADER: WE AFFIRM OUR BELIEF CONCERNING SIN
THE CONGREGATION: WE BELIEVE that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious blood of Jesus Christ, and being baptized in water.

THE LEADER: WE AFFIRM OUR BELIEF CONCERNING SALVATION
THE CONGREGATION: WE BELIEVE that regeneration by the Holy Ghost is absolutely essential for personal salvation

THE LEADER: WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST
THE CONGREGATION: WE BELIEVE that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing for the human body in answer to believing prayer.

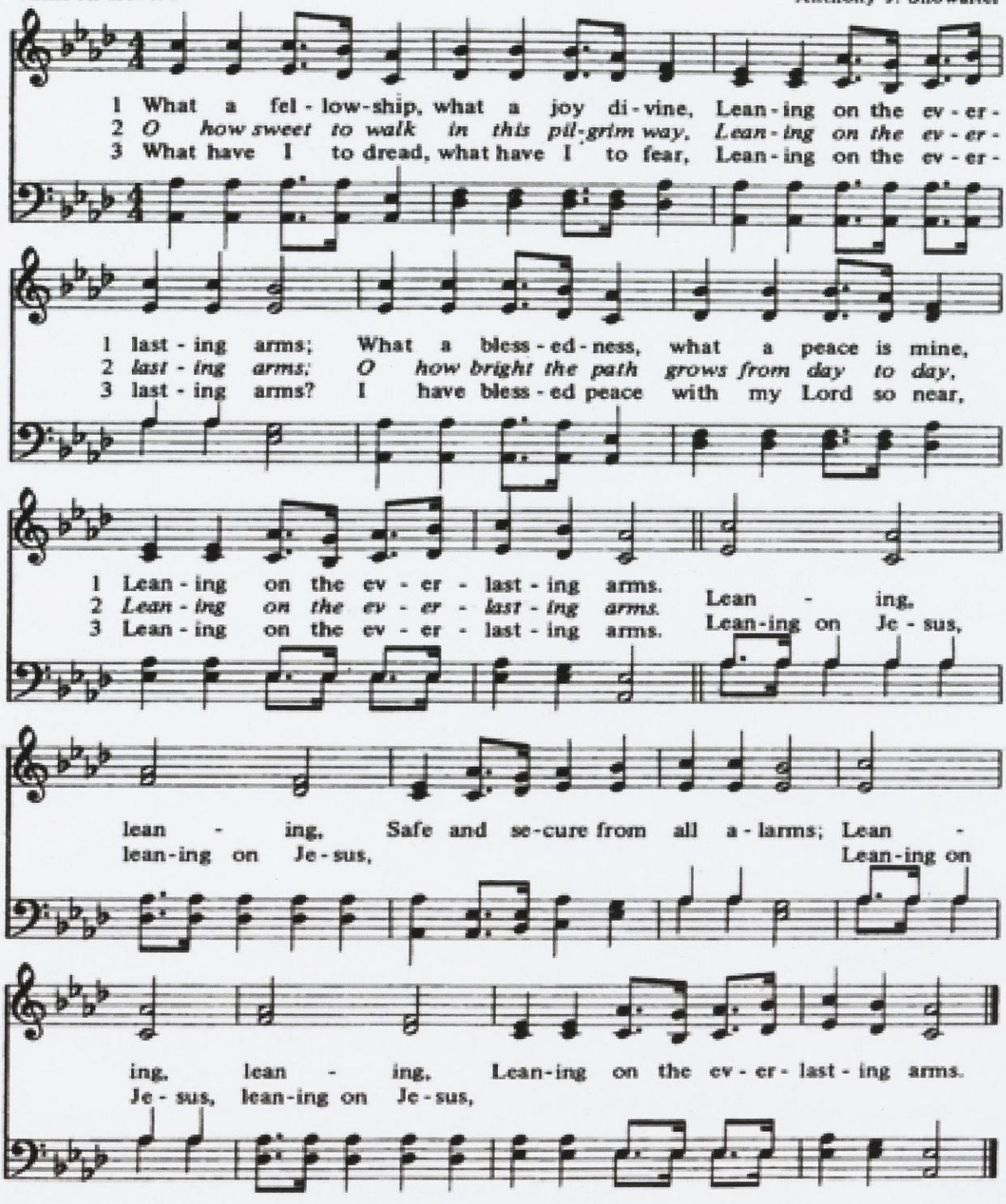
THE LEADER: WE AFFIRM OUR BELIEF IN THE HOLY GHOST
THE CONGREGATION: WE BELIEVE that the baptism in the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it.

THE LEADER: WE AFFIRM OUR BELIEF CONCERNING SALVATION
THE CONGREGATION: WE BELIEVE in the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit, by whose Indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Holy and separated life in this present world. AMEN.

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Elisha A. Hoffman

Anthony J. Showalter


1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, Lean - ing on the ev - er -
2 O how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, Lean - ing on the ev - er -
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Lean - ing on the ev - er -
1 last - ing arms; What a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
2 last - ing arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day,
3 last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,
1 Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
2 Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
3 Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
Lean - ing,
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Je - sus, lean-ing on Je - sus,

The Order of Celebration

Friday, November 30, 2018

6:00 P.M.

Moderator Presiding ~ Elder Earl Young

The Musical Prelude ..... Brother Kellen Young

The Prayer Of Comfort ..... Missionary Sherry Rogers

The Old Testament Scripture ..... *Proverbs 31:10-31* ..... Missionary Veronica Vaughn

The New Testament Scripture ..... *Titus 2:1-3* ..... Missionary Jannie Turner

The Affirmation Of Faith ..... Missionary Latanya Walker

The Ministry Of Music ..... Send Judah First

THE EXPRESSIONS OF REMEMBERANCE (*3 minutes please*)

FAMILY, CHURCH AND PERSONAL FRIENDS

Representing the Brothers ..... Elder David Wren, Jr., *Richmond, CA*

Representing the Sisters ..... Supervision Naomi Revell, *Alabama 3rd Jurisdiction*

Representing the Grand Children ..... Simeon Nash

Representing the Grand Children of David and Gertrude Wren ..... Sister Tammy Howard

Representing the Wren Family (*California Region*) ..... Sasha Hodge -Wren and Zita Wren

Representing the Nephews ..... Elder Earl Young and Pastor Victor Nolen

Representing the Nieces ..... Sister Sylvia Young and Sister Priscilla Holmes

Representing the Local Church ..... Sister Carmen Lily and Sis. Iva Medler

Representing the Rhema District ..... District Missionary Patricia Foster

Personal Friends ..... Missionary Ada Yarbrough, God Daughter - Sister Natasha Yarbrough
Mother Earline Brock and Sister Ruthie Queen

The Introduction of The Eulogist ..... Elder Earl Young

The Sermonic Solo ..... Lady Regina Williams

The Eulogy ..... 2nd Administrative Assistant Albert Williams, Sr.
Pastor, The Greater Little Chapel Church Of God In Christ

Dismissal

The Order of Celebration

Saturday, December 1, 2018

10:00 A.M.

Moderator Presiding - Part I

Assistant Supervisor Joyce Rodgers

International Department of Women, Church Of God In Christ Inc.

** (Where indicated congregation please stand)

The Musical Prelude ..... Organist

The Opening *The hour of Home going Celebration has come,*
O Lord, hear our prayers and accept our meditation
as we glorify thy name. Amen

THE PROCESSIONAL

The Bishops

The Administrative Assistants

District Superintendents

Pastors

Elders

The Family

THE FAREWELL SALUTE ..... **Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis**
General Supervisor International Department of Women
Church of God in Christ Inc.

The Hymn Of Assurance ..... Choir / Congregation

**THE PRAYER OF COMFORT ..... District Missionary Darnice Irving

**THE OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE .... *Proverbs 31:10-31* .... Missionary Bernice Wilson

**THE NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE ..... *Titus 2:1-3* ..... Missionary Mary James

**THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ..... Missionary Ingrid Alfred

The Ministry Of Music ..... Jurisdictional Choir

THE JURISDICTIONAL AND AREA DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN TRIBUTES

District Missionary Unit ..... District Missionary Margaret Jacobs-Frazier

Executive Board ..... First Lady Dr. Carolyn L. J. Logan

Representing California Supervisors ..... Supervisor Mother Farine Lee
California North Central Jurisdiction
Financial Secretary, National Advisory Board

The Ministry of Music ..... Jurisdictional Choir

THE INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN TRIBUTES

Supervisor Mother Gloria Lynch
Alternate Area Representative Region #1
Member National Advisory Board
Supervisor, Southern California Second
Chula Vista, CA

Expressions of Comfort and Introduction of the General Supervisor

Supervisor Mother Mary K. Sims
President National Executive Board Department of Women
Kansas City, KS

Mother Barbara McCoo Lewis
General Supervisor International Department of Women
Church of God In Christ Inc.
Los Angeles, CA

Moderator Presiding Part - II

Administrative Assistant John Jackson
California Northwest (C.N.W.) Jurisdiction
Santa Rosa, CA

The Ministry of Music ..... Jurisdictional Choir

THE JURISDICTIONAL TRIBUTES

Designated Representative Pastors and Elders Council ..... Superintendent Hosea Irving

Designated Representative District Superintendents ..... Superintendent D. M. Sanders

Designated Representative Administrative Assistant ... 1st Administrative Assistant Lodgie James

EXPRESSSIONS OF REMEMBRANCE FROM THE FAMILY

Supervisor Ponzetta Wren-Howard
Queens, NY

Bishop Peter Wren
Prelate, Alabama Third Jurisdiction

ECUMENICAL AND ECCLESIASTICAL TRIBUTES

Visiting Bishop's and Ministers

Acknowledgements and Resolutions ..... Missionary Doris Lowery

The Reading of The Scroll of Life ..... *Read Silently*

The Introduction of The Eulogist ..... Administrative Assistant John Jackson

The Sermonic Selection ..... Sister Michelle Ward

The Eulogy ..... **Bishop Jonathan D. Logan, Sr.**
Jurisdictional Prelate, Greater Northern California Second Jurisdictional

THE RECESSIONAL

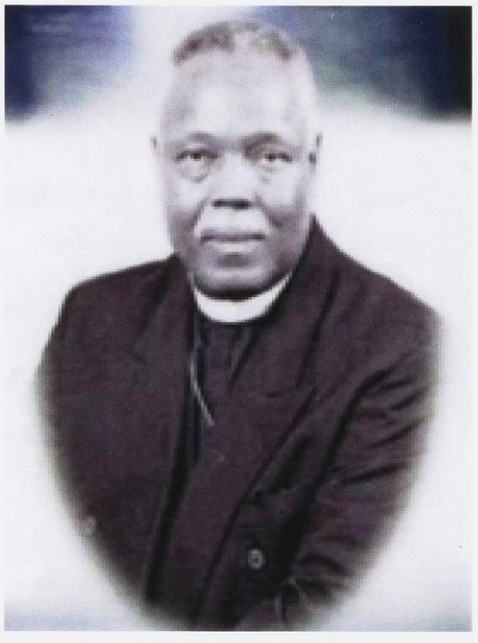
MUSICAL POSTLUDE

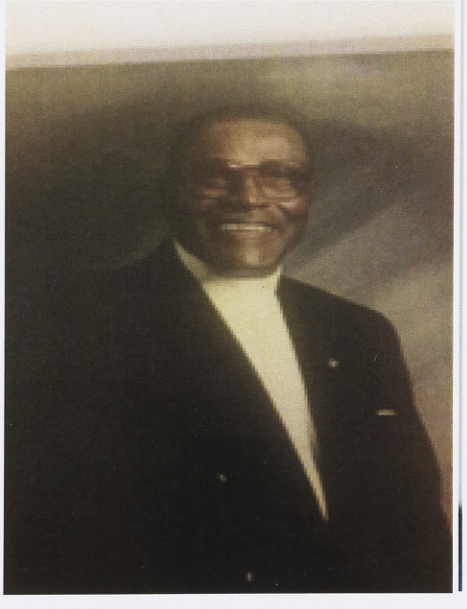
Mom & Dad Person

The Parent's of Mother Person Who Have Received Their Heavenly Rewards...

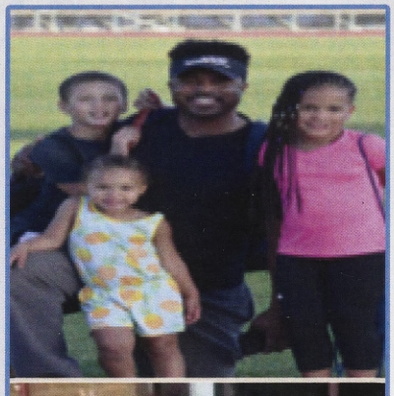
David, Sr. and Gertrude Wren

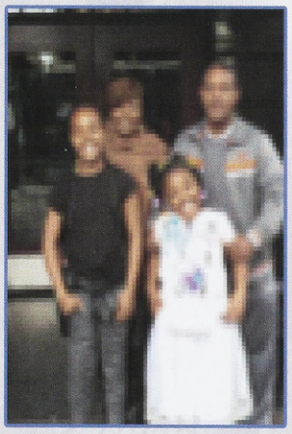
Sibling's of Mother Person Who Have Received Their Rewards ...

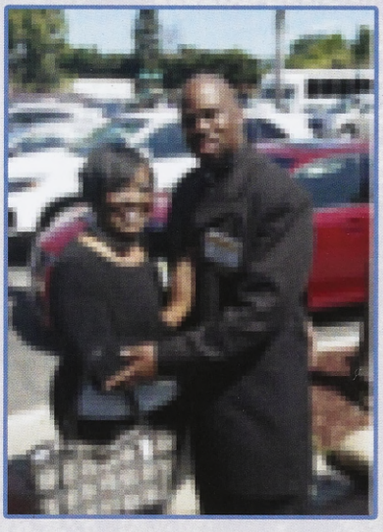
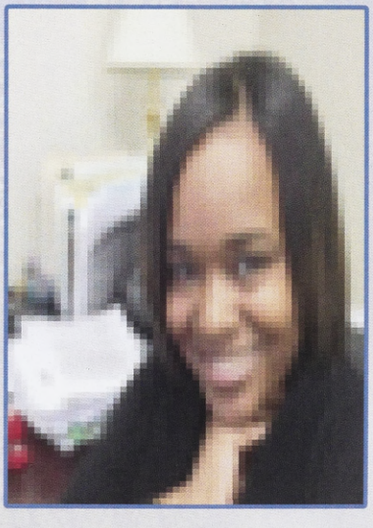


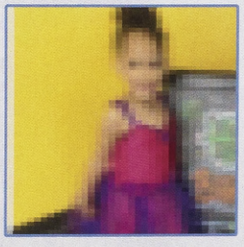


Precious Family Memories







Loving
Memories

There's Nothing Like Family...

Honorary Flower Bearers

Supervisor Valor Herring Supervisor Gloria Hunt
Supervisor Rashonda McDonald Supervisor Geraldine Campbell
Supervisor Patricia Hayes
Women's Advisory Board

Active Flower Bearers

Greater Northern California Second Jurisdiction

District Missionary Margaret Jacobs-Frazier
District Missionary Darnice Irving
District Missionary Patricia Foster District Missionary Bernadette Shaw
District Missionary Marie Robinson
1st Lady Dr. Mary James 1st Lady Jacqueline Odom 1st Lady Audrey Terry
1st Lady Gerlie Wiley

Honorary Pallbearers

Pastors of Greater Northern California Second Jurisdiction

Bishop Johnathan D. Logan, Sr.
1st Administrative Assistant Lodgie James 2nd Administrative Assistant Albert Williams, Sr.
District Superintendent Louis B. Spicer District Superintendent D. M. Sanders
District Superintendent Hosea Irving Pastor Wert Terry
Pastor Leeverdis Foster Pastor Rodney Odom

Active Pallbearers

Simeon Nash Stephen Nash
Jason Nolen Earl Holmes
James Butler Justice Person

Final Arrangements Entrusted To:

Grissom's Chapel & Mortuary Inc.
267 E. Lewelling Blvd. - San Lorenzo, CA 94580

Interment

Rolling Hills Cemetery
Richmond, CA

Acknowledgement

The Wren, Person, and Williams Family
would like to thank all who took the time to call or send a card to share your love.

Repast immediately following the committal at
Ephesian Church Of God In Christ
(Annex Building)

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